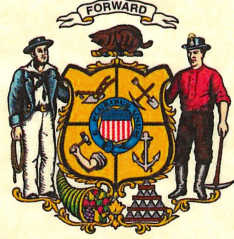


STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS, hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy (HIE) is a serious disorder that deprives oxygen and blood flow to the brain, primarily affecting newborns and young children and is often difficult to diagnose; and

WHEREAS, oxygen deprivation injures brain cells can happen in a variety of ways prior to birth, during the birth process, after birth, and during childhood; and

WHEREAS, HIE has many causes, including placental insufficiency, uterine rupture, placental abruption, true umbilical knots, cord compression, maternal blood clotting disorders, fetal maternal hemorrhage, extremely low maternal blood pressure, trauma during delivery, placental blood clots, shoulder dystocia, cord prolapse, aneurysm rupture, cardiac arrest, and near Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the only treatment that has shown clinical benefit immediately post-injury is therapeutic hypothermia, which multiple studies have shown reduction in death and disability, depending on initial severity; and

WHEREAS, World HIE Awareness Month aims to raise awareness of this disorder so families will have a better chance of learning about HIE and find helpful resources more quickly;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim April 2019 as

HYPOXIC ISCHEMIC ENCEPHALOPATHY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 1st day of March 2019.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State